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Dear Mr. Goodfellow and Matthiessen:

The U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) is conducting an investigation, pursuant to the authority of 42 U.S.C. § 7412(r)(6)(C)(i), of an incident that occurred at the West Fertilizer Co (hereinafter “West”) in 1471 Jerry Mashek Drive West, Texas on April 17, 2013. This letter is a request for certain information and documentation to complete our investigation.

Pursuant to its investigation, please provide all documentation sufficient to fulfill the following records requests:

- 1DOC1 Any and all records for the full inspection history of the West facility or any previous occupants including but not limited to RMP inspection records, Enforcement Case Report inspections, Enforcement Case Reports, Facility Report inspections and Facility Reports since 1999.
- 1DOC2 Any and all correspondence conducted with West or any previous occupants since 1999.
- 1DOC3 Any and all interview notes, photos, videos, inspection checklists, inspector notes generated during any activities at the West facility or for any previous occupants since 1999.
- 1DOC4 Any and all documentation pertaining to remedial actions or abatement that was required or suggested by the EPA at the West facility or for any previous occupants since 1999.

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- 1DOC5 Any and all RMPs filed by West or any previous occupants since 1999.
- 1DOC6 Any and all records related to the consideration or evaluation of the coverage of ammonium nitrate under RMP as either a listed chemical or as a hazard classification such as an explosive or reactive chemical from 1990 until the present.
- 1DOC7 Any and all audits of the West Risk Management Plan submissions since 1999.

Information Request

- 1INFO1 Provide the name, position, contact information and if still employed by EPA of any personnel involved in any inspection or enforcement activity at the West facility or any previous occupants since 1999.

Responsive documentation to both the information and records requests are expected to be delivered as soon as possible, no later than close of business **June 5, 2013**. Please provide records on a rolling basis as they become available.

A response letter to this request is expected; please address each request, and any sub-request sections, individually in your response. If response documentation to a specific request will be delayed, please provide explanation for the delay in your response. Please include with your response a certification by a company officer that the information listed above has been fully provided. If you do not provide certain information, include an explanation why the information is not being provided.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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